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Sir:

This is a response to the Restriction Requirement of July 8, 2004. Applicant elects without traverse to prosecute the species identified as Figs. 1, 3 and 5, in which claims 1-5 and 10-13 read thereon.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this application is requested. If the Examiner notes any minor errors, he is invited to telephone the undersigned so that the matter can be promptly handled by Examiner's amendment.

Respectfully submitted,

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